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Dec. 5, 1855—w&tw3m.



# THE COMMONWEALTH.

## KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

### IN SENATE.

Prayer by the Rev. John M. Donnell, of the Methodist Church.  
The Journal of yesterday was read.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. HAGGIN being unwell, had leave of absence indefinitely.

### COUNTY OF METCALFE.

The Senate then took up the bill from the House to establish the county of Metcalfe. And the question being taken on the passage of said bill, it was decided in the negative—yeas, 14; nays, 15.

### REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. BARLOW—Finance—a bill for the benefit of Benjamin Norran: passed.  
Same—a bill for the benefit of Aaron Johnson, sheriff of Laurel county: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House for the benefit of E. C. Ashcraft: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House for the benefit of John Friend, jailer of Floyd county: passed.  
Same—a bill for the benefit of Braxton Small: passed.  
Mr. WADSWORTH—from the committee of thirteen—a bill regulating the time of holding the Circuit Courts, which had passed the House, with amendments: some of the amendments were concurred in, and some disagreed to.  
Mr. BARLOW—Finance—a bill for the benefit of the Western Baptist Theological Institute.  
After some discussion by Mr. D. HOWARD SMITH in favor, and Messrs. BARLOW, PALMER, MARTIN, DEACURY, HOGAN, and others, in opposition, the bill was rejected—yeas, 4; nays, 27.

### HARRISBURG BANK.

The Senate then took up the message of the Governor vetoing the bill to incorporate the Bank of Harrisburg, Kentucky.  
And the question being taken on the passage of the bill, it was decided in the negative—yeas, 0; nays, 32.

### LEAVE TO BRING IN A BILL.

Mr. KING—a bill to incorporate the Bank of Harrisburg, Kentucky: referred to the committee on Banks.

### REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. MATTHEWSON—Education—a bill from the House authorizing the sale and distribution of the Calloway County Seminary lands: passed.  
Same—a bill to incorporate the President and Board of Education in Edinburg: passed.  
Mr. WADSWORTH—same committee—a bill to amend the act to incorporate the Franklin Female Institute: passed.  
Same—a bill to amend the charter of the Parochial School of the Hanging Rock Presbyterian Church: passed.  
Same—a bill to amend an act for the benefit of certain Common School Districts in Boyle and Mercer counties: passed.  
Same—a bill to authorize the sale of Franklin School House and lot in Boyle county: passed.  
Same—a bill authorizing the sale of Cranston School House and lot, in Boyle county: passed.

Same—a bill for the benefit of the School Commissioners of Owen county: passed.  
Same—a bill for the benefit of Ashland Common School District, in Greenup county: passed.  
Same—a bill to establish the Academic Institute of the city of Louisville: passed.  
Same—a bill to incorporate and endow the Western Kentucky College: passed.  
Same—a bill to incorporate the Kentucky Christian Education Society: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to relieve Common School Districts not regularly reported, re-opened the same with amendments: amendments concurred in, and the bill passed.  
Same—a bill from the House for the benefit of the Kentucky Institution for the Education of the Blind: passed—yeas, 29; nays, 4.

[Appropriates \$21,000 to complete the building, erect out-houses, and improve the grounds; increase the annual allowance to each pupil from \$1 to \$1.41.]  
Same—a bill from the House to incorporate the Philomathean Society, of Bethel College in Russellville: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to incorporate the Barren River High School: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to incorporate Bethel College, at Russellville: passed.

### LEAVES TO BRING IN BILLS.

Mr. IRVINE—a bill to incorporate Richmond Lodge, No. 25, Free and Accepted Masons.  
Same—a bill to incorporate Richmond Royal Arch Chapter, No. 16.  
Mr. BUCKNER—a bill to amend and renew the Salt River Turnpike Road Company.  
And then the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock.

### EVENING SESSION.

Mr. BURTON—Education—a bill from the House to incorporate the Columbia Baptist College: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to incorporate the Columbia Male and Female High School: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House appointing Trustees for the Hart County Seminary: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to amend an act incorporating the Mount Hope Cemetery, in Keeton county: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to incorporate the Ballentine Female College, in Franklin county: passed.

Same—a bill from the House to amend and change an act to incorporate the Greenville Female College, approved February 11, 1854: passed.  
Mr. WADSWORTH—Education—a bill for the benefit of Daniel Boone Eclectic Institute: passed.  
Same—a bill to incorporate the Daniel Boone Military Institute: passed—yeas, 19; nays, 11.

Mr. WOODSON—Penitentiary—a bill from the House in relation to the Kentucky Penitentiary, reported the same with an amendment.  
[Leaves the Penitentiary to the present Keeper upon his paying into the Treasury \$5,000 as the State's portion of the profits for the year ending 31st of March, 1856, and upon his entering into bond with good security, to pay the State \$5,000 per annum for six years.]

On motion, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until Monday next.  
Mr. MATTHEWSON—Agriculture and Manufactures—a bill from the House for the benefit of Jim Masters in Lyon county: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to amend the charter of the Kentucky Ship Building and Lumber Company: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to amend the act incorporating the Barren River Navigation and Manufacturing Company: passed.

Same—a bill from the House to incorporate the Nelson county Agricultural Society: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to incorporate the Cook Coal and Iron Mining and Manufacturing Company: passed.  
Same—a bill from the House to amend the act incorporating the Louisville Water Works Company, approved March 6, 1854: passed.

Same—a bill to incorporate the Union Mining and Manufacturing Company: passed.  
Same—a bill to incorporate the Logan county Agricultural and Mechanical Association: passed.  
Same—a bill to establish a uniform rate of coal:

[Bituminous stone coal to weigh eighty pounds per bushel, and canal coal seventy pounds per bushel].  
Mr. WEIS moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill until Tuesday next: rejected, and the bill passed.

Same—a bill to amend the act incorporating the Central Kentucky Agricultural and Mechanical Association: passed.

Mr. WADSWORTH—Education—a bill from the House to incorporate the Millersburg Male and Female Collegiate Institute: passed.

Mr. PALMER—Sinking Fund—a bill from the House to establish a Sinking Fund for the benefit of Clark: passed.

Same—a bill authorizing the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to loan any surplus funds they may have on hand. Ordered to be printed.

And then the Senate adjourned.

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, Feb. 23, 1856.  
EVENING SESSION.  
LEAVE TO BRING IN A BILL.

Was obtained by Mr. PHILIP LEE to bring in a bill for the benefit of the President of the Board of Jail Improvement: referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. P. Lee, Helm, and Goodloe.

SENATE BILLS.

The following bills from the Senate came up in order.  
A bill to establish voting places in—District in Bath county, instead of the Olympian Springs: referred to select committee consisting of Messrs. Hawkins, J. M. Fogle, and Auker.

A bill for the benefit of Thomas S. Terrell, of Ballard county: passed.

A bill to authorize the appointment of an additional commissioner for the Jefferson County Court: passed.

A bill from the Senate to authorize actions between Jefferson county and city of Louisville: passed.

A bill changing the time of holding the Quarterly Court of Shelby county: passed.

A bill changing the time of holding Court of claims of Bath county: passed.

A bill to authorize the Clerk of the Grant County Court to purchase and transcribe certain deed books: passed.

A bill to regulate certain streets and buildings in the town of Williamsburg, and taxing certain buildings adjacent thereto: passed.

A bill to repeal all laws licensing billiard tables, bowling saloons, and Jenny Lind tables: passed.

A discussion ensued in which Messrs. WORTHINGTON, WHITELEY, and MENZIES opposed the bill, and Messrs. HEWITT, E. O. BROWN, NUTTALL, and ROGERS, advocated it.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr. WHITELEY moved an amendment, (by way of encephalitis) providing all fiddling, dancing and concerts under penalty of \$50, and all assemblages for corn-husking, under penalty of \$20.

Mr. W said he had offered the amendment for the purpose of showing the absurdity of the principle upon which this bill was based; and he proceeded to speak against the bill.

Mr. SPURR moved the previous question: negatived.

Mr. WHITELEY withdrew the amendment.

The discussion was continued by Mr. BODLEY who advocated the bill, and Mr. SMEDLEY who opposed it.

Mr. SMEDLEY moved to amend by way of engrossed rider, by providing that the law shall not take effect until two years after its passage.

Mr. PHILIP LEE moved to lay the bill and amendment upon the table: rejected—yeas, 29; nays, 58.

The amendment proposed by Mr. SMEDLEY was then negatived—yeas, 34; nays, 54.

The bill then passed—yeas, 59; nays, 23.

RESOLUTION—HERMITAGE.

The joint resolution from the Senate, instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to use their influence to induce the general government to accept the donation of the Hermitage, as tendered by the State of Tennessee, and establish there a branch of the West Point Military Academy, came up in order, and was adopted.

FRAUDULENT ASSIGNMENTS.

The bill to prevent fraudulent assignments in trust for creditors and other fraudulent conveyances, came up in order, and was referred to the committee on Revised Statutes.

SENATE BILLS.

The following bills from the Senate came up in order.  
A bill to change the time of holding the Quarterly Courts of Henry county: passed.

A bill to change the time of holding the Quarterly Court of Hardin county: passed.

A bill for the benefit of the late sheriffs of Lewis county: passed.

A bill to establish an additional election district and voting place in Christian county: passed.

A bill to prescribe the western limits of the town of Flemingsburg: passed.

A bill to authorize the County Court of McLean to establish an additional ferry, or purchase the present ferry, between Rumsey and Calhoun: passed.

A bill to change the time of holding the Lewis and Grayson Quarterly Courts: passed.

A bill to incorporate the Deposit Bank of Glasgow.  
Mr. WINN advocated the bill, and it was passed—yeas, 50; nays, 26.

HOUSE BILLS WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills:

A bill to amend and reduce into one the several acts relating to the town of Bowlinggreen.

A bill regulating the time of holding the August term of the Laurel Quarterly Court.

A bill to amend the charter of the Dry Creek and Lexington Turnpike Road Company.  
[The Senate amendment to this last named bill was advocated by Messrs. WHITELEY and RICHARDSON, and opposed by Mr. MENZIES.]

And then the House adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, Feb. 23, 1856.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DONNELL, of the Methodist Church.

REMONSTRANCES AND PETITIONS.

Mr. TEVIS—four remonstrances from citizens of Shelby county against the passage of the bill to renew the lottery grant of Shelby College: referred to committee on Education.

BILL INTRODUCED AND REPEARED.

Mr. MORROW—upon special leave—introduced a bill to authorize the County Court of Hopkins county to sell the poor-house and lands of said county: referred to committee on County Courts.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. BRUCE, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill to legalize the locality of the first toll gate from Danville to Crab Orchard: passed.

Mr. HELM—same committee—reported the bill to amend the charter of the Dry Creek and Lexington Turnpike Road Company: passed.

Also—a bill to incorporate Hustonville Lodge, No. 184, of Free and Accepted Masons: passed.

Also—a bill incorporating Spring Hill Lodge, No. 139, of Free and Accepted Masons: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate to incorporate Napoleon Lodge No. 216, Free and Accepted Masons: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate to incorporate Brownski Lodge No. 64, I. O. O. F.: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate to incorporate the Masons of Gallatin county: passed.

Also—a bill permitting bonds for real estate to be recorded, with the opinion that it ought not to pass: rejected.

Mr. WORTHINGTON—same committee—a bill to amend the charter of the Kentucky and Louisville Mutual Insurance Company: passed.

Also—a bill to incorporate the Louisville Fuel and Coal Company: passed.

Also—a bill to incorporate the Union Insurance Company of Louisville: passed.

Also—a bill to incorporate the Young American Insurance Company of Louisville: passed.

### RECONSIDERATION—PENITENTIARY.

Mr. G. B. COOK moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed yesterday the bill in relation to the Kentucky Penitentiary.

Mr. COOK advocated his motion in a short speech. He had voted for the bill in good faith, but reflection convinced him that it was not safe legislation unless more restrictions were thrown around it.

Mr. ENGLISH moved a call of the roll.

Mr. BRADFORD, opposed the motion, and moved to lay the motion to reconsider upon the table.

The vote upon this motion resulted—yeas, 45; nays, 47.

So the House refused to lay the motion upon the table.

A further discussion ensued in which the motion to reconsider was advocated by Messrs. NUTTALL, IRVING, G. B. COOK, RICHARDSON, HAWKINS, and ELLIOTT, and opposed by Messrs. MENZIES, FOSS, COCHRAN, MONTGOMERY, WORTHINGTON, BRADFORD, and E. O. BROWN.

Mr. BEN BERRY moved the previous question which was ordered.

The vote was then taken upon the motion to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill. The motion to reconsider was negatived.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

TRANSLVANIA UNIVERSITY.

The bill to re-organize Transylvania University (as a normal school) came up as a special order.

[The object of the bill as avowed in the preamble is to establish a normal school to supply competent teachers for the common school system. It provides for a board of trustees, of which the Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals, the Attorney General, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall be ex officio members; every county in the State is allowed to keep one pupil at the proposed normal school, continually, free of charge, and every county having more than one representative and every city having separate representation, shall be allowed one pupil to each Representative (making 116 pupils in all); these pupils shall be selected by or for the school commission—shall be between 16 and 30 years of age—shall be residents two years in the State and one in the county from which sent—shall receive gratuitous instruction for two years, and \$1.50 per week, and shall give a written pledge to pursue the profession of teachers in their respective counties at least as long as they themselves have been pupils; after receiving one year's instruction, each pupil shall teach in his county one year, and then returning receive another year's instruction, and then teach another year in his county; and after he has taught as long a time as he himself was taught, he may receive one more year's instruction upon the same condition. Other pupils, not intending to teach, may be received at such tuition fees as the trustees may fix. The present income of the University is to be applied to the payment of Professors' salaries.]

Mr. RICHARDSON advocated the bill, and Mr. GAITHER opposed it.

Mr. CECIL moved to amend so as to give the selection of the pupils to the County Courts instead of the School Commissioners: adopted.

Mr. MENZIES moved to amend so as to restrict the amount to be set apart out of the school fund to most of the pupils of the institution, to a sum not exceeding \$10,000.

Mr. BODLEY offered a substitute leaving the sum blank: adopted.

The amendment as amended was adopted.

The question being upon filling the blank, Mr. BODLEY moved \$12,000.

Mr. MENZIES moved \$10,000.

Mr. BODLEY advocated his motion, and spoke at some length in favor of the bill.

The blank was then filled with \$12,000.

Mr. GRAY opposed the bill on some length.

Mr. RICHARDSON spoke in reply to the objections urged by Mr. GRAY.

Mr. MENZIES moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment of Mr. CECIL was adopted, vesting the selection of pupils in the County Court instead of the School Commissioners.

The motion to reconsider was advocated by Messrs. G. B. COOK, RICKETTS, and ELLIOTT and opposed by Mr. CECIL, and was then negatived.

Mr. COCHRAN moved to strike out "school commissioner," and insert "school trustees," (as the appointing power.)

Mr. McELROY moved to amend the amendment by giving the selection to the clerks of the Circuit and County Courts, the Sheriff and County Judge.

Mr. COCHRAN withdrew his amendment, and Mr. McELROY offered his as an independent amendment.

Mr. McELROY moved to add "school commissioner."

Mr. NUTTALL opposed the amendment and advocated the bill.

The amendment to the amendment and the amendment itself were then successively rejected.

Mr. BOWLING spoke in opposition to the bill. The vote being then taken on the passage of the bill, resulted as follows—yeas 41; nays 46.

So the bill was rejected.

On motion of Mr. McELROY, leave of absence until Tuesday was granted to Mr. WOOD.

The House then took a recess until three o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

LEAVE TO BRING IN BILLS.

Was obtained and referred as follows:

Mr. PRICHARD—a bill for the benefit of the administrator of John M. Dier: select committee Messrs. Prichard, L. Jones and Gray.

Mr. FOSS—a bill for the benefit of the Louisville and Cane Run Plank Road Company, in Jefferson county: select committee—Messrs. Foss, Worthington and Deatherage.

Mr. GOODLOE—a bill concerning the town of Versailles: select committee—Messrs. Goodloe, P. Lee and Helm.

ESQ.

Mr. BOWLING, from the committee on Banks, reported (pursuant to the instruction of the House) the bill from the Senate the better to define usury.

[Mr. B. said he wished it understood that he himself was not in favor of this bill, but opposed to it.]

Mr. MENZIES moved to strike out the proviso which makes the provisions of the bill apply to all licensed brokers of the State.

Mr. L. advocated his motion.

Mr. RICKETTS argued against the provisions of the bill.

Mr. WORTHINGTON advocated the bill, but insisted on the amendment proposed by Mr. BODLEY.

Mr. BODLEY opposed the bill; but if it passed, he desired the proviso to remain in it. He was against the amendment.

The discussion was continued by Messrs. WORTHINGTON and MENZIES in favor of the bill and amendment; Messrs. HEWITT and G. F. LEE against both; and Mr. McELROY against the amendment.

The vote upon the amendment proposed by Mr. BODLEY was taken, and resulted—yeas 41; nays 50: so the bill was rejected.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. J. M. FOGLE, from the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill for the benefit of the sheriff and late sheriffs of Nicholas county, with amendments; amendments adopted and bill passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of Wm. Chiles: passed into orders of the day.

Also—a bill to reduce the price of vacant lands in Cumberland county: passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of the Clerk of the Marion Circuit Court: passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of T. A. Ireland, sheriff of Owen county: amended and passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of Thomas B. Harrison, late sheriff of Logan county: passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of the Oldham County and Circuit Court Clerk: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate for the benefit of Jacob Rice, late sheriff of Carter county: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate, for the benefit of James M. Speer, late sheriff of Oldham county: passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of David Bailey, sheriff of Harlan county: passed.

Also—a bill to repeal the act allowing Nathan May of Daviess county to peddle without license: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate, for the benefit of the sheriff of Bath county, with an amendment: passed.

Also—a bill from the Senate, for the benefit of James Trimble, Clerk of Floyd county, with an amendment extending the provisions of the act to the clerk of the Pulaski Circuit Court: amendment adopted and bill passed.

Also—a bill to reduce the price of vacant land in the counties of Johnson and Floyd: passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of the kindred of Louisa Smith, a free woman of color: passed.

Also—a bill to incorporate the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for Montgomery county: passed.

Also—a bill to increase the fees of the jail watch of the city of Louisville: passed.

Also—a bill for the benefit of the Masonic Fraternity of Louisville, with the opinion that it ought not to pass.

[The bill exempts the Hall & Co., from taxation.]

Mr. WORTHINGTON opposed and Messrs. WHITELEY and NUTTALL advocated the bill.

Mr. WORTHINGTON moved to amend by extending the provisions of the bill to the Odd Fellows' Hall & Co.

Amendment rejected, and the bill was then passed—yeas, 50; nays, 12.

And then the House adjourned.

From the Somerset Gazette.

For some time past, it has been notorious in this county that Albert G. Talbott, Esq., was indicted in the Casey Circuit Court for bribery, &c. This has been publicly and authoritatively denied by his friends. A copy of the indictment has been procured and handed to us for publication. But for the impolitic, unwise and foolish denial of Talbott's friends, that there was such indictment, which was of course a palpable falsehood, we should not at present make any exposure of the transaction. Common sense, it would seem, is as necessary to a politician as to other men, and to deny what every body knows to be true is the height of impudence and mendacity. What a man states first, he should state last, provided, however, his first statement be true.

CASEY CIRCUIT COURT.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF KY.,

ALBERT G. TALBOTT,

The Grand Jury of Casey county, in the name and by the authority of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, accuse Albert G. Talbott, Esq., of the misdemeanor of giving a bribe to John Douglas for his vote, at an election for a member of Congress, committed as follows, viz:

At an election for member of Congress, to represent the fourth Congressional district in Kentucky, in the next Congress of the United States, the said Albert G. Talbott did bribe the said John Douglas to vote for him, the said Albert G. Talbott to fill said office by giving him money so that he should vote for him on the 6th day of August, 1855, and the bribe was given in the county of Casey, and the said John Douglas did so vote at the precinct, in said county against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Attest for the Commonwealth, pro tem.

A true bill.

D. H. ROWE, Foreman of the Grand Jury.

A copy, attest.

JOEL SWEENEY,

Clerk Casey Circuit Court.

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